



Probation Service Definition

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF PROBATION

SERVICE NAME	Co-Occurring Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Adult <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Juvenile
Category	Co-occurring (CO) substance use and mental health.
Setting	Professional office environment in a mental health center, substance use treatment center or private practice appropriate to the provision of evaluation/assessment services.
Facility License	As required by Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (NDHHS), Division of Public Health, if in a mental health center, the center must be licensed by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health.
Service Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A CO evaluation is a thorough clinical, strengths-based evaluation of a youth experiencing substance use/mental health symptoms. This evaluation must be completed prior to the initiation of any behavioral health services. The CO evaluation will determine a mental health/substance use disorder diagnoses, history of behaviors, trauma history/symptoms, criminogenic risk and risk of dangerousness to self and/or others, recommended behavioral health service(s) level and include the youth's and family's assessment of the situation. Based on the evaluation, appropriate behavioral health referrals will be provided• The evaluation will meet all the Standardized Model for the Delivery of Substance Use Service requirements. If the Simple Screening Instrument (SSI) requires a referral for a Substance Use (SU) evaluation, the results of the SSI are sent to the SU provider to be included in the evaluation document
Service Expectations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evaluations will include these areas:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Comprehensive biopsychosocial evaluation for mental illness▪ Comprehensive Adolescent Severity Inventory (CASI) for substance use disorder▪ Use of American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Criteria▪ Multidimensional risk profile to determine type and intensity of services▪ Presenting problem and medical history▪ School and/or work history

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alcohol/drug ▪ Mental health, gambling and behavioral history ▪ Family/social/peer history ▪ Legal/probation/risk history ▪ Collateral information ▪ Relationship with substance use/mental health and criminal justice involvement/criminogenic risks ▪ Assess trauma history and symptoms and suicide ideation ▪ Diagnostic assessment and screening tools with scores and interpretations ▪ Diagnosis and clinical impressions ▪ Individualized recommendations with rationale for why recommendations are made <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluators of youths with more than one substance use/mental health provider must communicate with and document coordinated services with any other substance use/mental health provider for the family or individual family members • Documented coordination of services is required as part of the overall treatment plan • Documentation must describe the coordination of all services in the treatment record <p>Structured Interview Tool Required for SU Portion of the Evaluation: (CASI).</p> <p>Approved State Reporting Format: CO evaluation results must be provided in the state approved reporting format only.</p>
Service Frequency	Interview sessions scheduled as needed with youth and family to complete the CO evaluation. Preferred collateral contacts from recent past should include provider(s), family, school personnel, friends and probation officer. The youth's attorney is not included as collateral.
Length of Stay	Evaluation must be completed and sent to the probation officer within the timeframe set by the court, including 21 or 30 day evaluations.
Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The mental health (MH) clinician will have a master's degree in social work, counseling, education or other relevant human service profession and be licensed in the State of Nebraska as a mental health practitioner with the ability to diagnose within the scope of practice. • LADC, LIMHP/LADC, LMHP/LADC, LIMHP/PLADC, LMHP/PLADC must have a current Nebraska License AND have completed the Standardized Model requirements, the state approved CASI training and the criminal behaviors/thinking training.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A MH clinician and a SU clinician will work as a team in completing an evaluation of a CO.
Staff to Youth Ratio	1 therapist to 1 youth.
Hours of Operation	In an office setting with typical daytime office hours with available evening and weekend hours by appointment, or by special appointment at other hours, if necessary.
Service Desired Outcomes	The evaluation will identify a substance use and mental health diagnoses and provide recommendations of services and rationale for why the services are needed to address and stabilize the acuity of the diagnoses.
Unit and Rate	Per evaluation (including interview and written report - typically 2-3 hours)

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